Yosemite Today

November 1, 2001 -January 6, 2002

Yosemite **National Park**

Important Phone Numbers

Emergency 911 (from hotel room 9-911)

Road and Weather/General Park **Information** 209/372-0200

Campground Reservations 800/436-7275

Shuttle Bus Route

Shuttle Bus Only

Shuttle Bus Stop

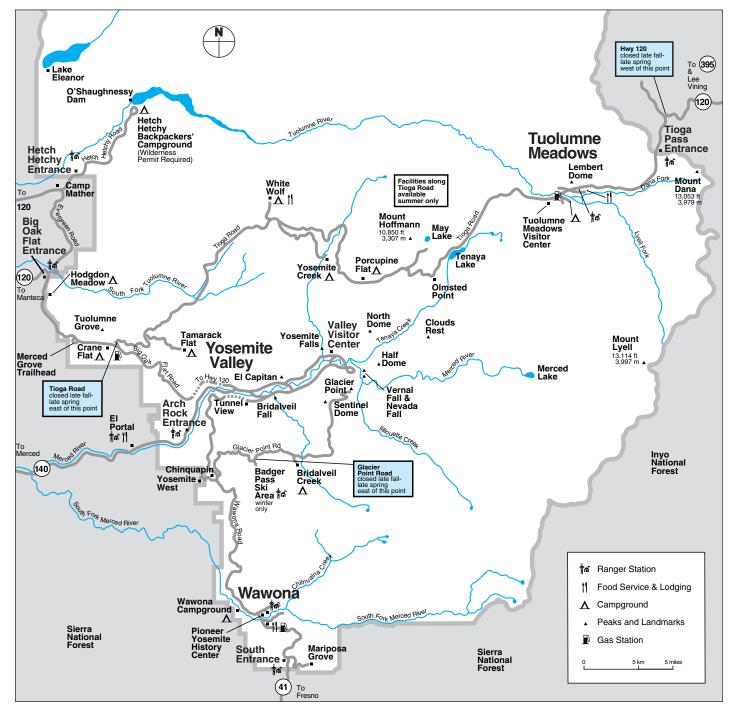
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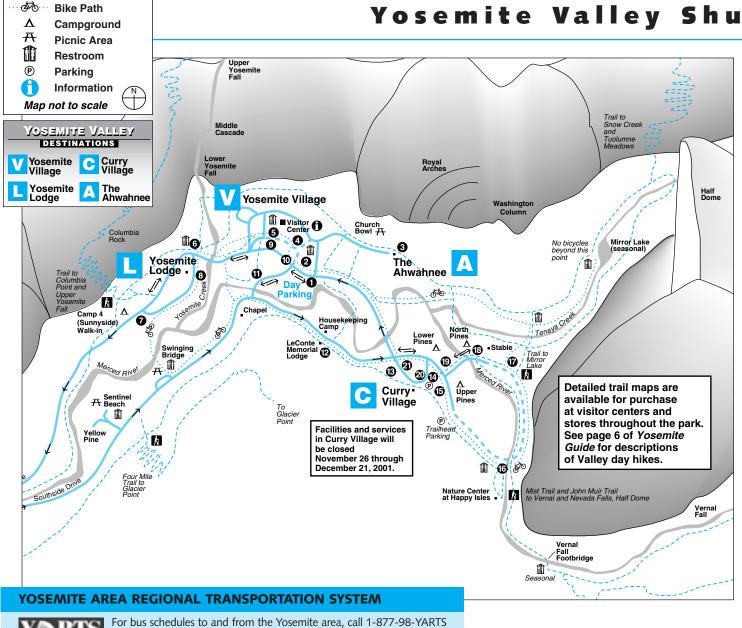
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Lodging Reservations 559/252-4848 **Ski Conditions** 209/372-1000



Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map



or visit YARTS online at www.yosemite.com/yarts

Ride the Free Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus

Schedules and routes may vary. Shuttle buses operate daily at 20-minute intervals, except during early morning and late evening hours when intervals may be 25 minutes. All buses follow the same route, serving stops in numerical order.

SCHEDULE 7:00 a.m. -10:00 p.m

- 1 Yosemite Village/Day Parking 2 Yosemite Village
- 3 The Ahwahnee
- 4 Degnan's
- 5 Visitor Center
- 6 Lower Yosemite Fall Service ends at 7:30 p.m.
- 7 Camp 4/Yosemite Falls Trailhead
- 8 Yosemite Lodge
- 9 Visitor Center
- 10 Yosemite Village
- 11 Sentinel Bridge/Yosemite Chapel
- 12 Housekeeping Camp/ LeConte Memorial Lodge
- 13 Ice Skating Rink
- 14 Curry Village
- 15 to 18 Out of Service for Season
 - 19 Lower Pines Campground
 - 20 Curry Village
 - 21 Ice Skating Rink

Scheduled **Events**

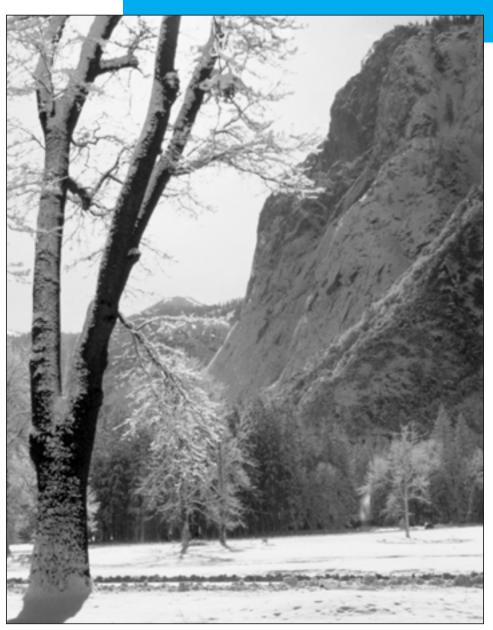
Programs printed in color are especially for children and their families.

YCS = Yosemite Concession Services NPS = National **Park Service** AAG = The Ansel Adams Gallery YA = Yosemite **Association** \$ = Programs offered for a fee



Indicates programs and facilities accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.

Watercolors (November 25 only) 4 hrs. Art Activity Center, east end of Yosemite Village (NPS/YA/YCS) & 10:30am Ranger Walk—Yosemite's First People (except November 18) 11/2 hrs. Behind Valley Visitor Center & 7:30pm Film—Ansel Adams, Photographer 1 br. Yosemite Lodge Watercolors (November 19 only) 4 hrs. Art Activity Center, east end of Yosemite Village (NPS/YA/YCS) & 2:30pm Ranger Walk—Buffalo Soldiers of Yosemite (except December 24) 1-11/2 hrs. Valley Visitor Center & 7:30pm Film—Ansel Adams, Photographer	Watercolors (November 20 only) 4 hrs. Art Activity Center, east end of	9:00am Cam 2 hrs Anse perm 10:00am Art (
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Yosemite Valley

The Ansel Adams Gallery

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. The Gallery offers work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, a wide selection of handcrafts, books, gifts, and photography supplies is available. For more information, call the Gallery at 209/372-4413 or visit their web site at www.anseladams.com. &

GALLERY EXHIBITS

Through November 30

Watercolors and Woodblock Prints by Sally Owens and Tom Killion.

December 3 - January 6

Along the Way, landscape and architectural prints by Mark Citret.

Yosemite Cemetery

This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include Native Americans, casual park visitors, and others who played an important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. A Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

*l*alley Visitor Center

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #5 and #9). Information, maps, books, exhibits, and a multilingual One Day in Yosemite program. Wilderness permits available by self-registration. &

NEW FEATURE Spirit of Yosemite

This inspiring film provides a stunning overview of Yosemite's splendor. It is shown every hour from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center's newly renovated West Auditorium Theater. Closed captioning available.

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Yosemite Museum

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. &

FEATURES

Indian Cultural Exhibit

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., closed for lunch. Displays interpret the cultural history of Yosemite's native Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of basket-weaving, beadwork, and/or traditional games are presented.

Yosemite Museum Store

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Offering traditional American Indian arts and crafts and books on related subjects.

The Indian Village of Ahwahnee

Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours. There is sometimes the opportunity to join Indian Cultural Program staff for demonstrations or programs about Ahwahneechee skills and culture. &

Yosemite Winter Theater

Come help Yosemite Theater celebrate its 19th season! The National Park Service recognizes Yosemite Theater as one of the best interpretive programs of its type in the National Park System. Actor Lee Stetson portrays John Muir in The Spirit of John Muir: Stories of Ice and Snow as he delights audiences with tales of Muir's daring winter adventures. Each show is 1-hour. Tickets are \$7/adults, and \$3/children (12 & under). Shows will be held around holidays, check local listings or call the Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk at 209/372-1240. Tickets may be purchased at the Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk in advance, or if seating is still available, at the time of performance. Winter shows are held at the Yosemite Lodge. &

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Above: Glacier Point as seen from Yosemite Valley. Photo by RH Anderson



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THURSDAY

10:00am Art Class with Julie Limberg — Watercolors

(November 22 only) 4 hrs. Art Activity Center, east end of Yosemite Village (NPS/YA/YCS) &

2:30 pm Ranger Walk—Granite and Ice

10:30am Ranger Snowshoe Walk-

too severe.

Explore the Forest in Winter 2 hr. Badger Pass A-frame

Wear warm clothing and boots for this moderate/strenuous walk. Snowshoes

provided, although not recommended for

children under 10 yrs. \$
NOTE: Ranger Snowshoe Walks start for the

season when the Badger Pass Ski Area opens. Walks will be canceled if the Badger Pass

Road closes, or if weather conditions are

11/2 hrs. Lower Yosemite Fall parking area, near shuttle stop #6 &

7:30pm Ranger Program

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge (check local postings for venue) &

FRIDAY

9:00am Camera Walk

2 hrs. Sign up in advance, meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch, weather permitting (AAG)

10:00am Art Class with Julie Limberg — Watercolors

(November 23 only) 4 hrs. Art Activity Center, east end of Yosemite Village (NPS/YA/YCS) &

7:30pm Evening Program

10:30am Ranger Snowshoe Walk-

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Road closes, or if weather conditions are

moderate/strenuous walk. Snowshoes

SPECIAL PHOTOGRAPHY EVENT

Saturday, November 10, 2001

9:00am - 12:30pm

Camera Walk & Book Signing

with Michael Frye, author of Photographer's Guide to Yosemite

Meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch (AAG)

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge (check local postings for venue) (YCS) &

9:00am Camera Walk

2 hrs. Sign up in advance, meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch, weather permitting (AAG)

10:00am Art Class with Julie Limberg — Watercolors (November 24 only)

SATURDAY

4 hrs. Art Activity Center, east end of Yosemite Village (NPS/YA/YCS) &

2:30pm Ranger Walk—Ranger's Choice 11/2 hrs. Valley Visitor Center &

3:00pm Fine Print Viewing

1 hr. Sign up in advance at The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG)

CHILDREN'S STORY TIME

(except November 17) 3/4 hr. Curry Village Guest Lounge (behind registration building) Nature stories geared for children 10 and under, children must be accompanied by a parent (AAG/YCS)

7:30pm Ranger Program

1 hr. Yosemite Lodge (check local postings

for venue) &

10:30am Ranger Snowshoe Walk-

Explore the Forest in Winter 2 hr. Badger Pass A-frame Wear warm clothing and boots for this moderate/strenuous walk. Snowshoes provided, although not recommended for children under 10 yrs. \$ NOTE: Ranger Snowshoe Walks start for the season when the Badger Pass Ski Area opens. Walks will be canceled if the Badger Pass Road closes, or if weather conditions are too severe.

Pioneer Yosemite History Center

Wawona

Walk across the covered bridge and visit historic buildings out of Yosemite's past. A visit to the Pioneer Yosemite History Center will explain how Yosemite was the inspiration for national parks across America and throughout the world. The Center is always open, and explanatory signs and brochures are available. &

Badger Pass

Opens for season December 14, weather permitting.

Badger Pass, California's oldest operating ski area, is the center of Yosemite ski and snowboarding activity during the winter. It is located at 7,300 feet in elevation and is a 1-hour drive from Yosemite Valley on the Glacier Point Road. There are 10 runs, ski lifts, downhill and cross-country ski schools, ski rentals, and a day lodge; cross-country skiers can utilize groomed and ungroomed trails that originate at Badger Pass; tracks are groomed on the Glacier Point Road all the way to Glacier Point. Wilderness permits available at the Badger Pass A-frame. Call 209/372-1000 for ski conditions.

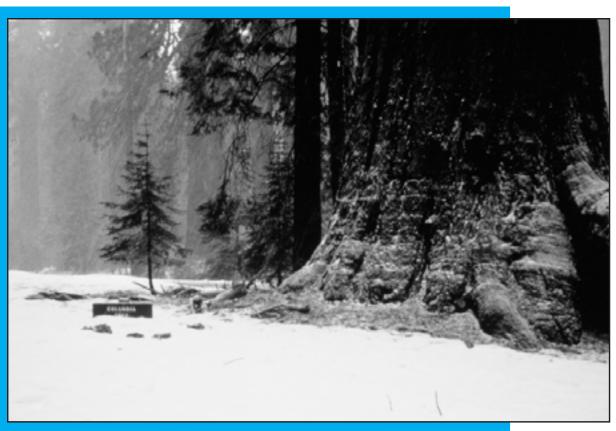
Ride the free bus to Badger Pass Ski Area (bus begins running when ski area opens for the season). Road and weather conditions permitting, the bus leaves daily from Curry Village at 8:05 a.m., and 10:35 a.m., Yosemite Village at 8:10 a.m. and 10:40 a.m., The Ahwahnee at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., and Yosemite Lodge at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Return buses leave Badger Pass at 2:00 pm and 4:30 p.m. Several buses operate on busy days. Allow at least one hour for a one-way trip. Additional information is available at hotel front desks.

Crane Flat & Big Oak Flat

Big Oak Flat Information Station

Closes November 25

Open Friday - Monday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., closed for lunch. Station is located just inside the park at the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station (Highway 120 West), and offers park orientation material, trail information, books, and maps. Wilderness permits available by self-registration. Phone 209/379-1899. &



Sequoia Groves

Mariposa Grove Merced Grove

The Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias, located at the southern-most end of Yosemite, is the largest stand of giant sequoias in the park (about 500 trees). Allow 11/4 hours driving time from Yosemite Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the parking area; however, many giant sequoias can be seen from there. From the parking area, all trails in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias are uphill. The trailhead is located at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the Grizzly Giant provide a self-quiding tour. Written translations of these signs are available at the trailhead (German, French, Spanish, Japanese). In winter, the access road to the Grove is closed due to snow. Once the access road is closed, add an extra hour or two for the 2-mile walk from the South Entrance of the park to the Grove.

Yosemite's quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, accessible only on foot. It's a 2-mile hike or ski into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 3.5 miles north of Crane Flat or 4.5 miles south of the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station, the trailhead is marked by a post labeled B-10 and a road sign. Allow about 3 hours for the 4-mile round-trip hike or ski to this small group of sequoias (about 20 trees).

Tuolumne Grove

The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of the Big Oak Flat Road and the Tioga Road. The former route of the old Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove, a cluster of about 25 sequoias. Now closed to cars, this 2-mile round-trip walk is relatively easy, depending on conditions; however, it is moderately strenuous on the uphill return.

Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias. NPS Photo

Park Facilities and Services

ATM

Yosemite Village

South of Village Store (Bank of America) Inside Village Store

Yosemite Lodge

Inside main registration area

Curry Village*

Inside gift/grocery store

Wawona

Inside Wawona Store

(County Bank)

El Portal On Hwy. 140 at Yosemite View Lodge

Babysitting

Limited babysitting available for registered guests at Yosemite Lodge and The Ahwahnee. Call front desk or concierge for additional information.

Food & Beverage Service

These hours of operation are approximate. Current hours of operation are posted at each front desk or facility.

YOSEMITE VILLAGE

Meals served daily in one or more of the following locations: 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Degnan's Delicatessen The Loft at Degnan's

YOSEMITE LODGE

Breakfast - 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Lunch = 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Light menu and snacks - 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Food Court and Lounge

Dinner - 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Mountain Room Restaurant

Food Court

Garden Terrace

The Mountain Room Restaurant

Mountain Room Bar & Lounge

THE AHWAHNEE **Dining Room**

Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Sunday Brunch - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Reservations and appropriate attire are respectfully requested. Call 209/372-1489

The Ahwahnee Bar 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

CURRY VILLAGE*

Meals served daily in one or more of the following locations:

Coffee Corner

6:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Pavilion Buffet

Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Pizza Noon to 9:00 p.m.

Curry Village Terrace Bar

Noon to 9:00 p.m.

Gas Stations

Crane Flat 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel available.

Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

Wawona

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel available. Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card.

Groceries

Yosemite Lodge Gift/Grocery

8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Degnan's Delicatessen 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Curry Village Gift/Grocery* 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Crane Flat Store

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

El Portal Market

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day

Gifts, Books & Apparel

YOSEMITE VILLAGE

The Ansel Adams Gallery 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Yosemite Bookstore

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Yosemite Museum Store

9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Village Store 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Habitat Yosemite Friday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sport Shop 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

YOSEMITE LODGE

Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Nature Shop 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

THE AHWAHNEE

Gift Shop 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Sweet Shop 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. **CURRY VILLAGE***

Mountain Shop 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Showers & Laundromat

SHOWERS

Curry Village* 24 hours

LAUNDROMAT

Housekeeping Camp 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Recycling

Village Store Recycling Center

10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Bottles and cans may also be returned to place of purchase or park gas stations

Post Offices

Main Post Office - Yosemite Village

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Yosemite Lodge Post Office

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Wawona Post Office Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

El Portal Post Office

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

Village Garage

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed for lunch. Towing 24 hours. Emergency gasoline & propane available until 4:00 p.m. 209/372-8320

Service Organizations

Yosemite Valley: Wednesday 7:00 p.m., (except November 21) YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village

Alcoholics Anonymous

Yosemite Valley: Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday 7:30 p.m., YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center), Yosemite Village

Narcotics Anonymous Yosemite Valley: Saturday 7:30 p.m.,

YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center), Yosemite Village

Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at noon. The Ahwahnee. Call 209/372-4475 for information.

Rotary International

Meets Thursdays for lunch at noon in The Ahwahnee Mural Room. Visiting Rotarian families and quests welcome. For meeting reservations or information, call 209/372-1016.

through December 21, 2001

Religious Services

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Inquiries, directions, other services, contact Ron Skelton. 209/379-2307

El Portal Chapel

Worship Service: Sunday 9:00 a.m.

YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH

(Nondenominational Christian) Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831

Yosemite Valley Chapel (year-round) **Worship Service**

Sunday 9:15 a.m., Thursday 7:00 p.m. Bible Study for Men, Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Day (November 22), 10:00 a.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight (December 24), 4:00 p.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Rev. Dennis Alvernaz, Resident Pastor 209/372-4729

Mass in Yosemite Valley

Visitor Center West Auditorium Sunday 10:00 a.m. December 24, 8:00 p.m. December 25, 10:00 a.m. January 1, 10:00 a.m.

Yosemite Chapel

November 1, 5:30 p.m.

CROSSWAY CHURCH

(Christian Protestant) Pastor Steve Hughes 209/379-2428

Worship Service

Sunday 7:00 p.m., Yosemite Chapel

EL PORTAL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Pastor Russ Marsh 209/379-2255

Worship Service Saturday 7:30 p.m., El Portal Chapel (first and third weekends) Sunday 10:30 a.m., El Portal Chapel (second, fourth, and fifth weekends)

WAWONA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Pastor David Adamcik 209/966-3039

Wawona Community Center Worship Service Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Women's Bible Study

Wednesday 1:00 p.m.



Full moon over Mt. Clark.

Photo by Howard Weamer

General Park Information

Emergency 911

Fire - Police - Medical Emergency: Dial 911, 24 hours a day (from hotel room 9-911)

Medical

Yosemite Medical Clinic

Emergency care: 24 hours daily

Drop-in and Urgent Care Daily 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Scheduled Appointments Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to Noon Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and emergency medical care for park employees, residents, and visitors. Experienced nursing staff, emergency physicians, nurse practitioner, and support staff

on duty. Services include a limited pharmacy,

lab, x-ray, and physical therapy. 209/372-4637

Paramedic/Ambulance Service

24 hours daily **Dental Services**

Clinic, 209/372-4637.

Adjacent to Medical Clinic. For hours, call 209/372-4200. If no answer, call 209/372-4637.

& Services For Disabled

An accessibility brochure is available at park entrance stations and visitor centers. Wheelchair rental available at Yosemite Medical

Accommodations

For advanced reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/252-4848 (www.yosemitepark.com) For availability on day of arrival, check at any front desk.

Bear Canister Rental

Available for \$3 per trip at the Curry Village Mountain Shop*, Crane Flat Store, and Wawona Store. Canisters may be rented or returned at any rental location in the park.

Recreation

Conditions permitting

YOSEMITE LODGE TOUR DESK

YOSEMITE MOUNTAINEERING

(after-hours ticket sales available at front desk) Monday - Thursday: 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Friday - Saturday: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SCHOOL AND GUIDE SERVICE For advance reservations only, call 209/372-8344

ICE SKATING RINK Shuttle stops #13 and #21. Opens for season in November, weather permitting. Monday - Friday: 2 sessions daily Saturday - Sunday: 4 sessions daily

Call 209/372-8341 for more information **BADGER PASS SKI AREA**

Opens for season December 14, conditions permitting. Downhill Ski Area, Rental Shop, Cross-Country Center, Ski School Lift Operation: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call 209/372-1000 for conditions and information.